

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant.....Microsoft Corp.  
Group Art Unit.....2134  
Examiner ..... Jason Kai Yin Gee  
Attorney's Docket No. .... MS1-1285US  
Title: Generation and Validation of Short Digital Signatures

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW ON NOVEMBER 19,  
2008**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is responsive to the Examiner's Interview dated November 19, 2008. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Statement of Substance of Interview** begins on page 2 of this paper.

### **Statement of Substance of Interview**

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Gee for conducting a telephone interview with Applicant's attorney, Dale G. Mohlenhoff, on November 19, 2008.

During the interview, Applicant's attorney presented arguments to discuss the allowable subject matter and possible amendments to place the application in condition for allowance.

Applicant's attorney agreed with the Examiner to amend claims 34 and 35 to make them depend on claim 26 instead of canceled claim 33.

Respectfully Submitted,

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